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From: Pierard, Kevin [pierard.kevin@epa.gov]
Sent: 12/5/2018 11:16:27 PM
To: Kuefler, Patrick [kuefler.patrick@epa.gov]
CC: Holst, Linda [holst.linda@epa.gov]; Poy, Thomas [poy.thomas@epa.gov]; Baltazar, Debbie [baltazar.debbie@epa.gov]; Walts, Alan [walts.alan@epa.gov]
Subject: Re: Water issues in East St. Louis area

Amy Dragovich took over for Keller. Amy.dragovich@illinois.gov

Sent from my iPhone

On Dec 5, 2018, at 9:09 AM, Kuefler, Patrick <kuefler.patrick@epa.gov> wrote:

WECAB is not involved in any CSO work in the ESL area. Illinois EPA is the lead for addressing CSO issues for that community. Jim Miles or Rodger Callaway would be the contacts for any compliance activities for NPDES at the state. Typically Illinois permit program tries to address wet weather issues through the permit process. Since Al Keller retired, I am not sure who is the best person to contact for permit issues. I am copying Kevin Pierard in case he has any information that would be helpful.

From: Holst, Linda
Sent: Tuesday, December 04, 2018 5:43 PM
To: Kuefler, Patrick <kuefler.patrick@epa.gov>; Poy, Thomas <poy.thomas@epa.gov>
Cc: Baltazar, Debbie <baltazar.debbie@epa.gov>; Walts, Alan <walts.alan@epa.gov>
Subject: Fwd: Water issues in East St. Louis area

Pat and Tom - Have we had any involvement in or have any knowledge of CSO issues (Pat) or lead in drinking water in the East St Louis area?

Linda

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Begin forwarded message:

From: "Walts, Alan" <walts.alan@epa.gov>
Date: December 4, 2018 at 5:11:18 PM CST
To: "Holst, Linda" <holst.linda@epa.gov>
Subject: Fwd: Water issues in East St. Louis area

Linda - who should I work with in Water Division to address these EJ concerns and talk to NRDC? Thanks

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Marceillars, Rochelle" <Marceillars.Rochelle@epa.gov>
Date: December 4, 2018 at 4:36:36 PM CST
To: "Walts, Alan" <walts.alan@epa.gov>
Cc: "Jencius, Michele" <jencius.michele@epa.gov>, "King-Hackney, Ashadee" <King-Hackney.Ashadee@epa.gov>
Subject: FW: Water issues in East St. Louis area

Hi Alan,

Below are the water issues brought to our attention during the initial meeting in ESTL back in 2017. Unfortunately, we did not have a water contact in the Region to follow-up. If you get a contact, please let us know. Thanks.

From: Jencius, Michele
Sent: Tuesday, December 04, 2018 2:15 PM
To: Marceillars, Rochelle <Marceillars.Rochelle@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Water issues in East St. Louis area

Water-related items we heard about at our initial meetings.

- a. Stormwater outside NAACP office
 - i. <!--[if !supportLists]--><!--[endif]-->combined storm/sewer overflow
 - ii. <!--[if !supportLists]--><!--[endif]-->47th Street waste goes into Frank Holten State Park lake where community fishes
 - iii. <!--[if !supportLists]--><!--[endif]-->no warning signs/notifications to the community when or after this occurs
- b. Pump Station at 63rd/State Streets
 - i. <!--[if !supportLists]--><!--[endif]-->shuts off after heavy rains
 - ii. <!--[if !supportLists]--><!--[endif]-->undersized for incoming flow from the bluffs
- c. Flooding in homes after heavy rains
 - i. <!--[if !supportLists]--><!--[endif]-->mold issues
- d. Requested lead in water be tested

From: Walts, Alan
Sent: Tuesday, December 04, 2018 1:59 PM
To: Marceillars, Rochelle <Marceillars.Rochelle@epa.gov>
Cc: Jencius, Michele <jencius.michele@epa.gov>
Subject: FW: Water issues in East St. Louis area

Do you have any contacts in the water program engaged w/ East St. Louis? Are you all aware of these concerns? I can reach out to Water Div but wanted to check in with you first.

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From: Geertsma, Meleah <mgeertsma@nrdc.org>
Sent: Tuesday, December 04, 2018 1:27 PM
To: Walts, Alan <walts.alan@epa.gov>
Subject: Water issues in East St. Louis area

Hi Alan -

I hope this note finds you well; I'm reaching out because I was recently contacted about some horrible chronic sewage, flooding, and possibly connected drinking water issues in the East St. Louis area. I'm wondering whether R5 has heard about and/or looked into these issues in that geography, and either way if you could connect me with the right folks internally.

Best,

Meleah